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Gemalto ePassports ranked #1 for speed in Industry tests

Amsterdam, June 21, 2016 - Gemalto (Euronext NL0000400653 GTO), the world leader in digital security, announces that its operating system integrated in the *Sealys* electronic passports, achieved the fastest reading capabilities in the independent Interoperability Tests conducted at the recent [Security Document World Conference](#) in London. [Sealys ePassport Embedded Software](#) is the latest generation of Gemalto's ICAO-compliant operating system. It meets the exacting standards of the Common Criteria EAL5+ augmented certification, which represents the highest known proven level of resistance to security attack available today for electronic travel documents.

Gemalto's software was assessed in May alongside a range of ePassports from other companies, and the test demonstrated data throughput rates more than twice the industry average.

Speed is key for issuing authorities as it means increased personalization and quality control throughput. Faster reading of electronic and biometric passports at border control points is also critical consideration for authorities seeking to process millions of passengers as quickly and efficiently as possible, without compromising security.

"With international travel continuing to grow rapidly, faster passport reading offers higher throughput capacity and greater convenience for passengers. It also makes biometric-enabled self-service stations a more attractive option for end users, further easing the burden on border control staff,"* said Youzec Kurp, Vice President of Government Programs at Gemalto. *"The industry-leading performance of Sealys solutions is reflected in Gemalto providing products and services in over [30 national ePassport programs](#) around the world."*

*[Total passengers set to double to 7 billion by 2034](#) – IATA Air Passenger forecast 24 November 2015

About Gemalto

Gemalto (Euronext NL0000400653 GTO) is the global leader in digital security, with 2015 annual revenues of €3.1 billion and customers in over 180 countries. We bring trust to an increasingly connected world.

Our technologies and services enable businesses and governments to authenticate identities and protect data so they stay safe and enable services in personal devices, connected objects, the cloud and in between.

Gemalto's solutions are at the heart of modern life, from payment to enterprise security and the internet of things. We authenticate people, transactions and objects, encrypt data and create value for software – enabling our clients to deliver secure digital services for billions of individuals and things.

Our 14,000+ employees operate out of 118 offices, 45 personalization and data centers, and 27 research and software development centers located in 49 countries.

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